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1764, Dec. 12, Letter of Margaret Armstrong consenting to Micajah Watkins marrying her daughter Mary Boyd. She is of age. Witnesses: George Boyd, Jr., Isabel Wade, John Sullins.

1765, Oct. 5, Letter of Joseph Poleam consenting to Thomas Sanders marrying his dau. Mary Poleam.

1770, Nov. 22, Richard Marot Booker & Elizabeth Palmer, spinster. Consent of Thomas Yuille to Richd Marot Booker marrying Elizabeth Palmer, dau. of John Palmer.

1778, Dec., John Lawson, Sr., & Martha Bates, widow.

1778, Mch. 10, Robert Easley & Winifred Dixon.

1776, Feb. 2, Nicholas Lewis & Elizabeth M., daughter of Thomas Meriwether. Witnesses: Wm. Meriwether, John Lewis.

1776, Jany. 23, Letter of J. Lewis giving consent that his son Nicholas (who is under age) should marry Elizabeth, dau. of Mr. Thomas Meriwether. Witnesses: Levi Todd, Jno. Todd.

1771, Jany., Benjamin Lankford & Henrica Booker.

1772, April 4, Parham Booker & Frances Martin, spinster. Sec. Thomas Yuille.

1786, Aug. 24, Paul Carrington, Jr., & Mildred H. Coles. Witnesses: George Carrington & Mary Tucker.

1779, April 17, John Le Grand & Elizabeth Young. Letter of consent of Alex^{r} Gordon.

1783, Feb. 20, Charles Lewis, of Halifax, to Joice Price. Consent of William Price. Witnesses: Wm. B. Price, Luke Williams, William Irby.

1785, Dec. 15, Shields Booker & Ann Pride. Letter of William Pride.

ELDRIDGE FAMILY.*

The first mention of the Eldridge name in Virginia records is in grant of land to Justinian Cooper, Sept. 13, 1636, in which SAM^{ll} ELDRIDGE is named as one of the headrights. (*Virginia Patents,* Book No. 1, p. 380.)

* I owe much of the material for this article to Mr. Rolfe Eldridge Glover, of Richmond.—EDITOR.

In *Virginia Patents,* Book No. 2, p. 240, there is a grant dated August 20, 1650, of 560 acres in Isle of Wight Co. to Robert Blake and Samuell Eldridge for headrights on eleven persons. From the latter part of this patent the name is spelt Eldridge.

In *Virginia Patents,* Book No. 3, p. 240, June 8, 1655, there is a grant of 400 acres, in Isle of Wight Co., to Sam[l] Eldridge.

What relation he was to Thomas Eldridge, to whom the Eldridge family of Virginia can directly trace, does not appear.

1. THOMAS[1] ELDRIDGE was a lawyer who married Judith Kennon, daughter of Richard Kennon, of Bermuda Hundred. In 1711 he received by deed from his brother-in-law, Col. William Kennon, one of Sir Thomas Dale's ancient settlements in Henrico county known as Rochedale Hundred (now known as Jones' Neck), on the south side of the river west of Curls' Neck, which is on the north side. He was deputy clerk of Henrico county between May 17, 1716, and April 1, 1717.

He died in Surry county, November 4, 1740 (QUARTERLY, XIV., p. 5), where his will, dated August 17, 1739, was proved May 20, 1741. He names his wife, Judith, and children: 2. *Thomas,* to whom he gave his silver tankard and all his law books; 3. Judith, 4. Elizabeth, 5. Ann, married Sterling Clack, clerk of Brunswick county, and had issue: Eldridge, James, Mary, Elizabeth, Judith, and Ann Sterling Clack. Ann Clack, wife of Sterling Clack, of Brunswick county, died Aug. 21, 1752 (QUARTERLY, XIV., p. 3). 6. Martha, 7. *William,* 8. Richard. He also names his grandchildren Thomas and Jane Eldridge.

Judith Eldridge, wife of Thomas Eldridge, died in Sussex county, Oct. 14, 1759, aged 67. Her will was dated March 2, 1754, and was proved in Surry, Feb. 15, 1760. It names daughter Sarah, son William, and granddaughters Mary, Elizabeth, Judith and Ann Sterling Clack.

2. THOMAS[2] ELDRIDGE (Thomas[1]) died in Sussex county, Dec. 4, 1754; married I. Martha Bolling, born 1713, died October 23, 1749. (Robertson, *Pocahontas and Her Descendants.*) II. Elizabeth Jones, daughter of James and Sarah (Howell) Jones, of Surry county. She married, in 1763, secondly, Drury

Stith, of Brunswick. By Martha Bolling, Thomas Eldridge had 9. Sarah, married in 1762, George Rives, of Sussex (QUARTERLY, XII., page 13). 10. John, born April 22, 1741, 11. Jane, 12. Mary, born 1742-43, married Thomas Branch, 13. Judith, twin to Mary, married James Ferguson, 14. *Rolfe,* born December 29, 1745, 15. Martha, born October 23, 1749, married John Harris, of England. By Sarah Jones, Thomas had 16. Howell, named in the will of Edmunds Jones, of Surry (dated February 21, 1764), as "cousin Howell Eldridge, son of Thomas Eldridge."

14. ROLFE[3] ELDRIDGE (*Thomas,*[2] *Thomas*[1]) Clerk of Buckingham county 1770-1806 (*Memorials of Virginia Clerks,* Johnston, p. 1-12), married Susanna Everard Walker (Marriage bond 1773). She was daughter of Col. George Walker, of Elizabeth City county, who removed to Brunswick county in 1768. (For this Walker family see QUARTERLY, XVIII., 287-291.) They had issue: 17. *Rolfe,* clerk of Buckingham county, 1806-1859 (*Memorials of Virginia Clerks,* Johnston, p. 112. Sketch of William M. Cabell), married Mary Moseley. 18. Mary Meade never married, 19. Susan Meade, married ——— Webber, 20. Nancy Meade never married, 21. David Walker never married, 22. *Thomas Kidder,* married Mary Ayres, 23. Jane Pocahontas, married ——— McDonald, 24. George Wythe never married, 25. Courtney Tucker, married John Williams, 26. Martha Bolling never married. (Robertson, *Pocahontas and Her Descendants,* and Memoranda of Mrs. Mildred Kidder Eldridge Cabel, who died in 1902, aged 79.)

Through Mary Bolling these children were descended from John Rolfe and Pocahontas, and through the Walkers from Andrew Meade, of Nansemond; Sir Thomas Everard, of North Carolina; Thomas Wythe, of Elizabeth City (father of the celebrated George Wythe), and George Keith, the celebrated preacher of Pennsylvania.

17. ROLFE[4] ELDRIDGE (*Rolfe,*[3] *Thomas,*[2] *Thomas*[1]) married Mary Moseley (see *Note*) and had issued: 27. Mary never married, 28. Susanna, married Dr. James Austin, 29. Lucy, married Rev. James H. Fitzgerald, 30. Elizabeth, married Bernard Austin,

31. Delia, married Robert Kinkead Irving, 32. William, married Kate Nixon, 33. Mildred Kidder, married William Meredith Cabell, 34. Benjamin, married Eliz. Perkins, 35. John, married Sarah Moseley, 36. Martha Bolling never married, 37. Frances, married Samuel Anthony Glover. (Robertson's *Pocahontas,* etc., does not have this at all. It was furnished Mr. Rolfe Glover, of Richmond, by Mrs. Joseph K. Irving, Howardsville, Virginia, daughter of Courtney Wythe Eldridge and John C. Turner, as in turn given her by her mother, who is still living.)

7. CAPT. WILLIAM[2] ELDRIDGE (*Thomas*[1]), lived in Sussex county, where he died April 7, 1722 (QUARTERLY, XIV., p. 5). He married Ann ———, who married 2dly. John Cargill, son of Rev. John Cargill, of Surry. William Eldridge's will, dated 24 January, 1772, and proved 21 May, 1772, names children; 38. Elizabeth, married John Massenburg, son of Nicholas Massenburg, in July, 1779, 39. Robert, 40. Thomas, married in April, 1769, Elizabeth Pennington, widow.

A Thomas Eldridge, of Brunswick, married in 1776, Winifred Miller, of Goochland. Pattie Eldridge, daughter of Judge Thomas D. Eldridge, of Memphis, Tennessee, married George Graham Armistead. (QUARTERLY, VII., 241.)

NOTE.—Mary Moseley, wife of Rolfe[4] Eldridge, was a daughter of Benjamin Moseley and Mary Branch, who were married in Chesterfield county, Va., December 25, 1783. Benjamin Moseley served as a first lieutenant of the First Battalion of Artillery in the Virginia Continental Line, War of the Revolution, from May 2, 1779, to March 4, 1783. He received a grant of land in Ohio for his service, and died in Buckingham county, Va., July 26, 1799. [United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Widows' File, No. 5387.]

Mary Branch was a daughter of Matthew Branch, great-great grandson of Christopher Branch, one of the earliest settlers of Henrico county, Va. [Chesterfield Co. "Will Book, No. 2," p. 32, and "Will Book, No. 1," p. 527; Henrico Co. "Book No. 1, Wills, Deeds, etc., 1725-1737," p. 31; "Wills, Deeds, etc., 1725-1737," p. 31; "Wills, Deeds, etc., 1688-1697," p. 543, and "Records, Nov., 1677, to Dec., 1692," p. 209], and Ridley ———. (I think she was probably Ridley Jones, daughter of Peter Jones. See *William and Mary Quarterly,* Vol. XIX., No. 4, p. 290.)